Public Works (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 775 W

DATED 22/3 March 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Dismissal of two Upper Subordinates, Directing that Mr. S. Trutwein Supervisor 1st grade and M. G. Singaracharri temporary Upper Subordinate be dismissed the Service, and calling on the S.E. III Circle to take the necessary action in the matter of the recovery of certain overpayment in the Kurnool Dn.

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G.O., No. 775 W., 22nd March 1898.

MARCH.

Dismissal of two Upper Subordinates

Directing that Mr. S. Trutwein, Supervisor, 1st grade, and M. G. Singarachari, temporary Upper Subordinate, be dismissed the service, and calling on the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, to take the necessary action in the matter of the recovery of certain overpayment in the Kurnool division.

[500—27-1-98.]

18/3/98

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

Read—the following papers:—

From the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 31st January 1898, No. 5826.
,, Temporary Overseer M. G. Singarachari, dated 2nd February 1898, No. 1056.
,, Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 24th February 1898, No. 6175.
,, Temporary Overseer M. G. Singarachari, dated 9th March 1898, No. 2333.

Note by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

The Superintending Engineer, III Circle, forwards a letter from Executive Engineer, Kurnool Division (Mr. Subramanya Aiyar) in which the Executive Engineer charges Mr. Trutwein, Supervisor, with having made a "gross overpayment to a contractor for rock cutting on Budweed tank supply channel" while he was in charge of the Cumbum Sub-division.

2. The history of the case, as given by the Executive Engineer, is a little involved, but the facts seem to be as follows:—

Six measurements of the work done on the channel were taken at different times and payments made on the first five of them.

The first measurement was taken by Overseer M. G. Singarachari on 10th June 1895, and on his measurements, a bill amounting to Rs. 912–12–7 was prepared. On this bill a part-payment of Rs. 800 was made. On 29th June 1895, Mr. Trutwein made further measurements, and a second bill, amounting to Rs. 2,094–6–2, was prepared. On this bill a part-payment of Rs. 1,085 was made. On 23rd August 1895, Overseer Singarachari took further measurements resulting in a further part-payment to the contractor of Rs. 92.

On 1st November 1895 more measurements were taken—by whom is not stated—and a payment of Rs. 169 made to the contractor.

On 24th March 1896 more measurements were taken and Rs. 69 paid to the contractor.

In all, five payments, amounting to Rs. 2,215, were made to the contractor. When Mr. Lazarus relieved Mr. Trutwein of charge of the sub-division he checked all the previous measurements and prepared a final bill. The amount of this bill is Rs. 1,081–10–2, which is Rs. 1,133–5–10 *less* than the payments already made to the contractor. (Mr. Srinivasa Aiyangar, who relieved Mr. Lazarus, also checked the measurements for the final bill.)

3. The Executive Engineer explains that the overpayment is due entirely to over-measurement and overpayment by Mr. Trutwein in the second bill. In this bill Mr. Trutwein allows for the following:—

		RS.	A.	P.
27,690 cubic feet rock cutting at Rs. 4 per 100 cubic feet	...	1,107	9	7
44,000 ,, ,, at Re. 1 per 100 cubic feet	...	440	0	0
Total	...	1,547	9	7

but according to the work actually done—presumably according to the measurements of Mr. Lazarus and Mr. Srinivasa Aiyangar—the quantity should be 4,190 cubic feet; allowing the higher rate for this, the bill should be 4,190 cubic feet at Rs. 4 per 100 cubic feet, Rs. 167–9–7.

4. Mr. Trutwein therefore made out a bill for Rs. 1,380 in excess of the real value of work done, of which Rs. 1,133–5–10 has already been paid to the contractor. The question now is, who is to be held responsible for this, and in paragraph 9 of his letter the Executive Engineer suggests that perhaps both Mr. Trutwein and the contractor should be, and that the amount overpaid should be recovered from them. He then goes on to say that if Mr. Trutwein is to be held responsible then Rs. 1,380 is to be recovered from him and the difference between Rs. 1,380 and Rs. 1,133–5–10 paid to the contractor. This is of course a mistake. It is absurd to pay a man for work he has never done.

5. There is nothing to show that the contractor was directly implicated in the fraud, but there can be no doubt that he knew he was being overpaid.

6. Mr. Trutwein's explanation is as follows:—

He promised to pay the contractor according to the quantities arrived at by taking cross sections of the channel. Mr. Trutwein himself took the sections, but owing to his having to hand over charge of the sub-division he had not time to calculate the areas and quantities so he gave the work to Overseer Singarachari to do. He says he paid the contractor according to the quantities calculated by the overseer as he was confident that not only were the sections, but also the overseer's calculations, correct (see paragraph 7 of Superintending Engineer's letter No. 5826 W., dated 9th February 1898). Mr. Trutwein's explanation is throughout very unsatisfactory and there can be no doubt that the overmeasurement was due to more than mere carelessness. This supposition receives support from a letter written by Overseer Singarachari to the Chief Engineer which will be found in the file. In this letter the overseer distinctly states that his calculations had to be dodged until they got to the total Mr. Trutwein wanted.

No doubt the overseer's statement must be received with suspicion as he is himself under suspension and naturally wishes to throw all the blame on Mr. Trutwein.

7. The case against Overseer Singarachari can be disposed of by the undersigned as Chief Engineer, but as Mr. Trutwein is above the rank of overseer, his case must be submitted to Government for orders under paragraph 46, chapter IV, volume I, Public Works Code. Both cases are therefore submitted together.

8. The undersigned is convinced from personal knowledge of this case as Superintending Engineer, III Circle, that—

(1) Mr. Trutwein made the excess payments in question *knowing* them to be much in excess of work done.

(2) Overseer M. Singarachari, if he did not wilfully aid and abet Mr. Trutwein in the fraud, was guilty of gross carelessness, which, coupled with the similar case proved against him in connection with the Ráyachóti cutcherry, shows that he is quite unfit to remain in the department.

9. The undersigned therefore recommends—

(1) That Mr. Trutwein and Overseer Singarachari be dismissed the service.

(2) That an attempt be made to recover the overpayment from the contractor, by legal proceedings if necessary, and that, if this fails, as much as possible be recovered from Mr. Trutwein who, probably along with the contractor, profited by the transaction.

(Signed) W. B. deWINTON,
Ag. Chief Engineer.

10th March 1898.

ORDER—No. 775 W., dated 22nd March 1898.

His Excellency the Governor in Council approves the recommendations in paragraph 9 of the Chief Engineer's note above recorded, and directs that Mr. S. Trutwein, Supervisor, 1st grade, and M. G. Singarachari, temporary Upper Subordinate, be dismissed the service with effect from the date of the receipt by them of this order, copies of which will be delivered to them by the Superintending Engineers, I and III Circles, respectively.

2. The Superintending Engineer, III Circle, will take the necessary action with reference to clause (2), paragraph 9 of the Chief Engineer's note.

(True Extract.)

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, III Circle.
" " I "
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. C. Parthasarathy.

DEPARTMENT.

Draft orders

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Current No. 1063 of 1898, dated 31.1.98, from the S.E. III Circle No. 5826

" " 1056 " 1898, " 2.2.98, " M. G. Singaracharyar temporary overseer

" " 1743 " 1898, " 24.2.98, " the S.E. III Circle No. 6175

" " 2333 " 1898 " 9.3.98, " M. G. Singaracharyar

Note by the Chief Engr. No. D. of

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ORDER.

No. 775 W 22-3-98 SP

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2. The Supdg. Engr III circle will take the necessary action with reference to clause (2) para 9 of the Ch. Engr's note.

C.W.S.S.
18/3/98

Make this out for the Secy's signature

S. E. III circle
" I circle
Exr. accounts

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19.3.98

P. W. 4.
500—27-1-98.

[43/86]

P.W. DEPARTMENT.

C. Nos. 1056, 1063, 1743.

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HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR. √

~~THE HON'BLE SIR~~ HENRY BLISS, ~~K.C.I.E.~~

~~THE HON'BLE MR.~~ GROSE, ~~C.I.E.~~

SUBJECT.

Charge of overpayment to a contractor by Mr. Trutwein in the rock cutting work on Budweed Tank supply channel.

By ~~FOR ORDERS.~~ note by the Ch. Secy PWD

The Superintending Engineer III Circle forwards a letter from Executive Engineer Kurnool Division (Mr Subramanya Aiyar) in which the Executive Engineer charges Mr. Trutwein, Supervisor, with having made a "gross overpayment to a contractor for rock cutting on Budweed Tank Supply Channel" while he was in charge of the Gumbum Sub-Division.

2. The history of the case, as given by the Executive Engineer, is a ~~[illegible]~~ little involved, but the facts seem to be as follows:-

Six measurements of the work ~~as~~ done on the channel were taken at different times and payments made on the first 5 of them.

The first measurement was taken by Overseer Mr. G-Singarachari on 10-6-95, and on his measurements, a bill amounting to Rs. 912-12-7, was prepared

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On this bill a part payment of Rs. 800- was made. On 29-6-95 Mr. Trutwein made further measurements, and a second bill, amounting to Rs. 2094-6-2 was prepared. On this bill a part payment Of Rs. 1085 was made. On 23-8-95. Overseer Singarachari took further measurements resulting in a further part payment to the Contractor of Rs. 92.

On 1.11.95 more measurements were taken- by whom is not stated- and a payment of Rs. 169 made to the Contractor.

On 24.3.96 more measurements were taken and Rs. 69 paid to the Contractor.

In all, five payments, amounting to Rs. 2215, were made to the contractor. When Mr. Lazarus relieved Mr. Trutwein of charge of the Sub-Division he checked all the previous measurements and prepared a final bill. The amount of this bill is Rs-1081-10-2 which is Rs. 1133-5-10 less than the payments already made to the contractor. (Mr. Srinivasa Aiyangar who relieved Mr. Lazarus also checked the measurements for the final bill)

3. The Executive Engineer explains that the overpayment is due entirely to over measurement and over payment by Mr. Trutwein in the 2nd bill. In this bill Mr. Trutwein allows for the ~~fol-lowing~~ following:—

27,690 c.ft. rock cutting at Rs. 4 per 100 c.ft. Rs 1107-9-7

44,000 c.ft. at Rupee 1 ~~per 100 c.ft~~ per 100 c.ft ——— " 440-0-0

Rs. 1547-9-7

but according to the work actually done-presumably according to the measurements of Mr. Lazarus and Mr. Srinivasa Aiyangar- the quantity should be 4190 c.ft., allowing the higher rate for this, the bill should be

4190 c.ft. at Rs. 4 per 100 c.ft.

Rs. 167-9-7

4. Mr. Trutwein therefore made out a bill for Rs. 1380 in excess of the real ~~due~~ value of work done, of which Rs. 1133-5-10 has already been paid to the contractor. The question now is, who is to be held responsible for this, and in para 9 of his letter the Executive Engineer suggests that perhaps both Mr. Trutwein and the contractor should be, and that the amount over paid -- should be recovered from them. He then goes on to say that if Mr. Trutwein is to be held responsible then Rs. 1380 is to be recovered from him and the difference between Rs. 1380 and Rs 1133-5-10 paid to the contractor. This is ofcourse a mistake. It is absurd to pay a man for work he has ~~never~~ never done.

5. There is nothing to show that the contractor was directly implicated in

in the fraud, but there can be no doubt that he knew he was being over paid.

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6. Mr. Trutwein's explanation is as follows:-

He promised to pay the contractor according to the quantities arrived at by taking cross sections of the channel. Mr. Trutwein himself took the sections but owing to his having to hand over charge of the sub-division he had not time to calculate the areas and quantities so he gave the work to Overseer Singarachariar to do. He says he paid the contractor according to the quantities calculated by the overseer as he was confident that not only were the sections, but also the overseer's calculations, correct (see para 7 of S.E's letter No.5826W/9-2-98). Mr. Trutwein's explanation is throughout very unsatisfactory and there can be no doubt that the over measurement was due to more than mere carelessness. This supposition receives support from a letter written by overseer Singarachariar to the Chief Engineer which will be found in the file. + In this letter the overseer distinctly states that his calculations had to be dodged until they got to the total Mr. Trutwein wanted.

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No doubt the overseer's statement must be received with suspicion as he is himself under suspension x and naturally wishes to throw all the blame on Mr. Trutwein.

x for another matter altogether

7 The case against overseer Singarachariar can be disposed of by the undersigned as Chief Engineer, but as Mr. Trutwein is above the rank of overseer, his case must be submitted to Government for orders under para 46 ChaP. IV Vol. I P.W. Code. Both cases are therefore submitted together.

8. The undersigned is convinced from personal knowledge of this case as S.E. III Circle that

(1) Mr. Tutwein made the excess payments in ~~portion~~ question knowing them to be much in excess of work done,

(2) Overseer ~~Mr.~~ Singarachariar if he did not wilfully aid and abet Mr. Trutwein in the fraud, was guilty of gross carelessness, which, coupled with the similar case proved against him in connection with the Rayachoti cutcherry, shows that he is quite unfit to remain in the Department.

9 — The undersigned therefore recommends;—

(1) that Mr. Trutwein and Overseer Singarachariar be dismissed the service,

(2) that an attempt be made to recover the over-payment from the contractor, by legal proceedings if necessary, and that, if this fails, as much

These recommendations are appd.

A.S.H.
17.3.98

much as possible be recovered from Mr. Trutwein who, probably along with the contractor, profited by the transaction.

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Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 2333

From M. G. Singarachari

Order

No. –

Dated 9
Received 10
Registered 12 } March 1898
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SUBJECT.

Requesting to cancel his suspension and to restore him to his appointment.

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Cn. 1743

forwards a

for

Disposal

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Depar
Madras

Most Honored Sir

In Continuation of my petition dated 2. 2. 98. I most humbly and respectfully beg to bring to your honor's kind notice that I am still placed under suspension for the last 5 1/2 months; although I was exonerated from all blame in the Budwood Tank supply channel overpayment Case by the Executive Engineer Mr. J.C. Johnston and

Cn.
+1056
Sent to 11.6
on 11-3-98

file
2-3-98

measurements, and a second bill amounting to R 2094-6-2 was prepared - On this bill a part payment of R 1085 was made-

and beg of H. G. [illegible] beg before

Under the above circumstances

I beg to remain

Most Honored Sir,

[illegible] respectfully & humbly

Your most obedient servant

M. G. Singarachari

9/3/98

Overseer [illegible] Dn

[illegible] Please to

[illegible] my case Cancel my

suspension and restore me

to my appointment, as I am

quite unconnected in the

above case, and also as I

have a poor [illegible]

big family with [illegible]

[illegible]

overlooking [illegible], I

shall be ever thankful

[illegible] obliged -

Cir 1743

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~~for orders.~~

The previous papers were submitted to you a short time ago, but I am not sure whether you have passed them on for W's orders.

Cir
2/3/98

The case has been sent to W for disposal This orders will settle the question of Singarachari

S[illegible]
2-3-98

W

Submitted, with reference to linked file.

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2-3-98

[illegible] [illegible]
2-3-98

Forward W's return

W. for orders -

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The history of the case as given by the E. E. is a trifle involved but the facts seem to be as follows -

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W.E. 11-3-98

Leave the case with the orders, giving a detailed account & say that I am convinced, from personal knowledge of this case as S.E. III Circle, that

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shows that he is unfit

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H.E. 11-3-98

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The question now is who is to be held responsible for this sum

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This is of course a mistake. It is absurd to pay a man for work he has never done.

There is nothing to show that the contractor was directly implicated in the fraud, but there can be no doubt that he knew he was being overpaid.

Mr Trutwein's explanation is as follows.

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Orders are now requested as to what is to be done about the overpayment of R 1133-5-10 & what is to happen to Mr Trutwein & Overseer Singarachariar

22/2/98

P.W.D.

History of Services of Mr S. Trutwein, Supervisor 1st grade.

Presidency.	Overseer 3d grade.	June 74
	Overseer 2d, Tempy	Jany. 77
	Overseer 2d Permanent	April 77
Kistna East.	Transfd to –.	June 79
P. W. Workshops.	Transfd to –	Feby 80
Presidency.	Transfd to –	Septr 80.
	Overseer 1st grade.	Octr 81
		Feby 83.
VI Circle. Negapatam Dn.	Transfd to –	March 83.
	Supervisor 2d grade (Tempy)	May 84
	Supervisor 2d S.P.T.	June 84
	Supervisor, Permanent.	Decr 85.
Worked in Technical Branch Cr { Chief Engineer's Office.	Transfd to –, as a temporary arrangement.	May 86
		July 86.
V Circle. Cocanada.	Transfd to –. Services placed at disposal of Cocanada Progress Extension Committee.	Decr 86.
		Feby 87.
Godavari West.	Transfd to –.	May 87
Chingleput, T.M.S.	Transfd to –	
	Reported for certain irregularity in S. Arcot Dn.	May 87
	Explanation accepted.	August 87.
		Novr 87.
Chingleput Dn.	Transfd to –.	Septr 90
North Arcot.	Transfd to –.	

Cuddapah.	Transfd to –	March
	Promoted to Supervisor 1st Tempy rank.	July 92
	Supervisor 1st S.P.T.	Septr 92
Bellary.	Transfd to – by S.E.	Decr 92
	Supervisor 1st grade (Per).	March 93
70 D/ 28.4.93 332 D/ 7.6.93	Reduced to 2d grade.	June 93
Kurnool.	To do duty temporarily at Kurnool during absence of Mr Demetty on privilege leave.	April 93
	Transfd to Kurnool by S.E.	Octr 93
	Promoted to Supervisor 1st S.P.T.	Feby 94
	Supervisor (1st Permanent)	May 94
44 D/ 23.4.95	Reduced to 2d grade from May 95 for bad work. A report to be submitted on him every 12 months.	April 95
		July 95
P.W. Workshops.	Transfd to –	Octr 95
	Transfd to –	Novr 95
I Circle Rushikulya Ganjam.	Posted to –	
	Promoted to 1st grade (Tempy)	March 96
	Supervisor (1st Pmnt)	July 96
	Report on the Conduct and Qualifications of – recorded. 1357 D/ 21.9.96	

From 1892 onwards, He was N.R. for 94/2 and 95/1, R for 95/2 and subsequently.

CC
10/2/98.

DW

This statement is submitted in connection with Current No 1063, which brings charges against Mr Trelawny, and which is submitted for orders.

There is also the case against Overseer M. G. Singaracharri to be considered.

Current No, 1056 is an appeal from the latter.

CC
10-2-98

Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1743

Order

From the Superintg. Engineer
3rd Circle
Bellary

No. 6175 W

Dated 24—2—98

Received } 25.2.98
Registered }

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SUBJECT.

Mr M. G. Singaracharri Overseer Kurnool Dn. —

Forwards, for orders, copy of letter from the Exec. Engineer Kurnool Dn. stating that the continued suspension of — is very severe.

1063
1056

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10-2-98

Copy of letter No 6107 dated 12 February 1898, from J.C. Johnston Esquire Executive Engineer Kurnool Division to the Superintending Engineer III Circle Bellary.

Subject - Budweed Tank and suspension of overseer Mr M.G. Singara Chary -

I have the honour to bring to your notice that the overseer has been under suspension for the last 5 months. If you will obligingly look at the report which Mr Garrett submitted in regard to the defalcation on the Budweed tank supplying channel I think you will find that that officer almost if not entirely exonerated the overseer from any blame. My opinion is that there is nothing to show that the overseer to blame for the excess payments made and therefore consider his continued suspension very severe.

I request therefore that a

Early orders in his case may be solicited.

(Copy)

No 6175 W of 24 February 1898.

Submitted to the Chief Engineer P.W.D. Madras in Continuation of this office No 5826 W, dated 4-2-98 & with a request that early orders may be passed regarding Temporary Upper Subordinate M.G. Singara Chary.

x Cur 1063

J. C. Lawrence
Superintending Engineer
III Circle.

Pbu
16/2/98.

Budwad Tank supply channel – Report on overpayment made to a contractor for rock cutting on – 3 S.

Tintween & M.G. Singarachari

Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1056
1063

From M. G. Singaracharyar
Madras

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Dated 2nd February 1898

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M.S. 4-2-98

2nd February 1898

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Madras

Most honored Sir,

I most humbly beg to submit the following few lines to your honor's favourable consideration and orders —

With regard to the verbal information from the Superintending Engineer 3rd Circle that Mr. Trutwein reported that I made wrong calculations, when he was called upon to explain, I humbly beg to submit that the Calculations were all based upon different instructions given to me by Mr. Trutwein & methods shown to me by himself to a certain extent. He first of all fixed one bed level and ordered Calculations to be made therefrom and when the quantity thus arrived came much less than the quantity entered in the Sanctioned estimate, Mr. Trutwein fixed different lower bed levels until the quantity arrived at came nearest to the quantity entered in

the original Sanctioned

Estimate and has even ordered some portions marked out (Leave out) L. O in Level sheets to be included and ha besides, taken other measurements, during my absence, when I was sick, specifying clear length, Breadth & depth.

I further beg to point out that this is only an Estimated Calculation and that I have remarked in the Calculation sheets of the Estimate to the Effect thus "Calculated as per instructions of S. D. O".

In this connection, I humbly beg to submi that the Executive Engineer Mr. J. C. Johnston has exonerated me from all blame. when my Case was refered to him by your honor and he has even recommended of me in the qualification report of Subordinates on famine duty. owing to my hard work in the late famine for 10 months.

Under the above Circumstances, I most humbly pray that your honor will be graciously pleased to duly consider my case. and protect me under your honor's patronage by restoring me. to my appointme as I am under suspension for the last 5 months, in these hard days of famine And as I am a poor man with a large family hanging upon my shoulders —

By this act of Generosity & everlasting fame, I humbly submit that I will be ever able to lead better life in memory of your honor.

To save delay, I beg permission to submit my greivances direct.

I beg to remain
Most honored Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.
M. G. Singarachary

Public Works (1898) Department.

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Order

From
The Superintending Engr
III Circle

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SUBJECT.

overpayment on Budaru Tank Supply channel by Messrs. S. Trutwin & M. G. Singarachary:— Submits report about—

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Letter from M.R.Ry. S. A. Subrahmanya Aiyar Avergal B.A. B.C.E. Rái Bahádur, Executive Engineer, Kurnool Division, No. 4,606 dated 21st December 1896 to the Supdtg: Engineer, III Circle, Bellary.

I have the honour to report as follows on a case of gross overpayment made to a contractor for rock cutting on Budwed Tank supply channel by Supervisor Mr Treutwein when he was in charge of the Cumbum Sub Division.

2. A copy of the measurements is enclosed (encls: No. 1) on which payments for the work were made. As shewn in it, the first bill for the work was based on measurements taken by Overseer M. G. Singarachari on 10-6-95. This bill was for Rs 912-12-7 and Rs 800 was paid on it, a balance of Rs 112-12-7 being retained.

3. The second bill was prepared from measurements purporting to have been taken by Mr Treutwein himself on 29-6-95 and was for 2094-6-2. On this bill Rs 1085 was paid making up with the first payment a total of Rs 1885 paid to the Contractor. This is the bill in preparing which Mr Treutwein allowed excessive measurements for rock removal.

4. Against an actual work done of 4190 cft rock removed Mr Treutwein allowed

against Mr. Treutwein's honesty from the circumstances of the case, and still an unpleasant duty has to be performed and it is yet necessary to bring them to your notice. These are

(1) That the sections (encl: 5) shew only the right slope of the channel and do not shew either the centre line or other datum from which to measure breadths so as to check work done, with the sections.

(2) Every where the rocky sub-soil slopes quickly from right to left as the sections shew. If any widening or deepening of the channel was required, it must have been made on the left of the channel where there was no rock to cut out. Even if there was a high bank on the left (there was no such bank in this case) it would have been cheaper to widen the channel on the side where there was no rock to cut. Mr. Treutwein can therefore save his honesty only by arguments which will go against his efficiency i.e, to say if he meant by his incomplete and illusory section, to get honest work done, and not merely to cover a dishonest design under color of providing accurate measurements & Sections at 10 ft. intervals, then he must be the most ignorant man indeed. Any ordinary person inspecting the channel must see that to widen or deepen the channel, he must go to the side where he has earth to remove and not to the side where has rock to cut out & blast.

(3) Mr. Treutwein was relieved of charge of Cumbum Sub Division on 19-7-95. The date of the measurement for the first bill was only 10-6-95. His own measurement for the second bill is dated 29-6-95. It is not usual to take 2 measurements in the same month. Though in the absence of other circumstances this will not signify, still its significance has to be noticed in connection with the other circumstances above mentioned. Having to leave the Sub Division in 3 weeks, the measurements of the 29th June following quickly on the Overseer's measurements of the 10th June, indicate with the incompleteness of the sections, with the possibility of extending the channel on the left at a nominal cost, and with the short work actually done, a desire on the part of Mr. Treutwein of dealing finally with the item rock cutting, so as both to make full payment for it and avoid his successor remeasuring it or having anything to do with it. Mr. Treutwein even now would have his work not checked except with his precious sections and calculations. He was careful to hand them over to his successor with the intention that his work should not be approached at any time except thro' the sections and calculation.

14. I never met Mr. Treutwein and I had nothing to do with him before. I do not know what

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Calculation Sheet for sections of supply Channel to Budweed tank from 42 to 71.

The sections from 1 to 48 are continuous, taken at every 10 feet, and show rock on which-ever side found, Viz: right or left.

Beyond 48, the sections are broken, that is, they are taken at lengths where rock was actually found, and wherever the length exceeded 10 or 20 ft, one or two sections were taken to suffice for calculation; but care was taken to see, that one section was taken at every 10 feet where the length exceeded 20 feet.

Calculation of sections from 42 to 48, sections taken 10 ft apart. Taken the bed level is 42.00 I arrive at the following.

Section No. 42.

Height or depth. $\frac{(44.78-42.00)+(43.21-42.00)}{2} = 1.99\frac{1}{2}$ or 2 nearly.

Length = 10 ft

Breadth = 8 ..

Contents = 10 × 8 × 2 = 160 cft

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— Do — No. 43.

Height $\frac{(44.71-42.00)+(44.37-42.00)+(42.61-42.00)}{3} = 1.57$ or $1\frac{1}{2}$ nearly.

Length = 10

Breadth = 9

Height = $\frac{1\frac{1}{2}+2}{2} = 1\frac{3}{4}$ mean height between sections. ← height of no 42 section

Contents = $10 \times 9 \times 1\frac{3}{4} = 158$ cft.

— Do — No. 44.

Height $\frac{(44.75-42.00)+(44.26-42.00)+(42.61-42.00)}{3} = 1.87$ or $1\frac{4}{5}$ — do —.

Length = 10

Breadth = 9

Depth = $\frac{1\frac{4}{5}+1\frac{1}{2}}{2} = 1\frac{13}{20}$

Contents = $10 \times 9 \times 1\frac{13}{20} = 148\frac{1}{2}$ cft.

— Do — No. 45.

Height $\frac{(45.11-42.00)+(43.99-42.00)+(42.86-42.00)}{3} = 1.99$ or 2 — do —.

Length = 10

Breadth = 8

Height = $\frac{2+1\frac{4}{5}}{2} = 1\frac{9}{10}$

Contents = $10 \times 8 \times 1\frac{9}{10} = 152$ cft.

— Do — No. 46.

Height $\frac{(44.85-42.00)+(43.89-42.00)+(42.76-42.00)}{3} = 1.83$ or $1\frac{4}{5}$ — do —.

Length = 10

Breadth = 8

Height = $\frac{1\frac{9}{10}+1\frac{4}{5}}{2} = 1\frac{17}{20}$

Contents = $10 \times 8 \times 1\frac{17}{20} = 148$ cft.

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Section No. 47.

Height $\frac{(43.41-42.00)+(42.78-42.00)}{2} = 1.09$ or $1\frac{1}{10}$ nearly.

Length = 10

Breadth = 6

Height = $\frac{1\frac{1}{10}+1\frac{9}{10}}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$.

Contents $10 \times 6 \times 1\frac{1}{2} = 90$ cft

— Do — No. 48.

Height $\frac{(42.00-42.00)+(42.66-42.00)}{2} = 1.33$ or $1\frac{1}{3}$ — do —.

Length = 10

Breadth = 6

Height = $\frac{1\frac{1}{3}+1\frac{1}{10}}{2} = 1\frac{43}{60}$

Contents = $10 \times 6 \times 1\frac{43}{60} = 103$ cft.

Beyond this ~~last~~ section viz 48, ~~thus~~ there is a break, for sand extends to a length 110 ft. and ~~this~~ viz next section viz 49 is only for a length of 7 feet for block of rock.

Section No. 49.

Height $\frac{(45.76-42.00)+(43.11-42.00)}{2} = 2.43\frac{1}{2}$ or $2\frac{1}{2}$ nearly.

Length = 7

Breadth = 7

Height = $2\frac{1}{2}$

Contents = $7 \times 7 \times 2\frac{1}{2} = 122\frac{1}{2}$ cft.

Beyond this rock, with section 50 for a length of 13 ft.

— Do — No. 50.

Height $\frac{(43.71-42.00)+(43.41-42.00)}{2} = 1.56$ or $1\frac{1}{2}$ nearly.

Length = 13

Breadth = 9

Height = $1\frac{1}{2}$

Contents = $13 \times 9 \times 1\frac{1}{2} = 175\frac{1}{2}$ cft.

Up to this section bed level taken as 42.00 and beyond 41.50.

From section 51 to a length of 53 ft there was rock adjoining section 50 & continues.

Section No. 51.

Height $\frac{(44.91-41.50)+(44.46-41.50)}{2} = 3.18\frac{1}{2}$ or $3\frac{1}{5}$ nearly.

Length = 10

Breadth = $\frac{7+9}{2} = 8$

Height = $\frac{3\frac{1}{5}+1\frac{1}{2}}{2} = 2\frac{7}{20}$ average height between 50 & 51. ← Height of section 50.

Contents = $10 \times 8 \times 2\frac{7}{20} = 188$ cft.

— Do — No. 52.

Height = $\frac{(44.98-41.50)+(44.53-41.50)}{2} = 3.24$ or $3\frac{1}{4}$. nearly.

Length = 10

Breadth = $\frac{5+7}{2} = 6$

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Height = $\frac{3\frac{1}{5}+3\frac{1}{4}}{2} = 3\frac{9}{40}$

Contents = $10 \times 6 \times 3\frac{9}{40} = 193\frac{1}{2}$ cft.

Section No. 53.

Height $\frac{(45.25-41.50)+(44.88-41.50)+(44.41-41.50)}{3} = 3.35$ or $3\frac{1}{3}$ nearly.

Length = 10

Breadth = $\frac{5+8}{2} = 6\frac{1}{2}$

Height = $\frac{3\frac{1}{3}+3\frac{1}{4}}{2} = 3\frac{7}{24}$

Contents = $10 \times 6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{7}{24} = 214$ cft.

— Do — No. 54.

Height $\frac{(46.41-41.50)+(46.29-41.50)}{2} = 4.85$ or $4\frac{4}{5}$ nearly.

Length = 23

Breadth = $\frac{8+5}{2} = 6\frac{1}{2}$

Height = $\frac{3\frac{1}{3}+4\frac{4}{5}}{2} = 4\frac{1}{15}$

Contents = $23 \times 6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{15} = 607$ cft.

Beyond this section viz: 54 there is a break as sand comes in for a length of 153; after this a block of rock with section 55 for a length of 13 feet was met.

Section No. 55.

Height $\frac{(46.08-41.50)+(46.10-41.50)}{2} = 4.59$ or $4\frac{3}{5}$ nearly.

Length = 13

Breadth = 4.

Height = $4\frac{3}{5}$

Contents = $13 \times 4 \times 4\frac{3}{5} = 239$ cft.

Beyond this block, sand comes in for 46 feet in height up to section 56; from here rock for 30 ft.

Section No. 56.

Height $\frac{(46.19-41.50)+(44.29-41.50)+(43.87-41.50)}{3} = 3.28$ or $3\frac{1}{4}$

Length = 0

Breadth = $6\frac{1}{2}$

Height = $3\frac{1}{2}$

~~Correct!~~ 30×

— Do — No. 57.

Height $\frac{(45.24-41.50)+(44.38-41.50)+(43.05-41.50)}{3} = 2.72$ or $2\frac{3}{4}$ nearly

Length = 10

Breadth = $\frac{6\frac{1}{2}+7}{2} = 6\frac{3}{4}$

Height = $\frac{3\frac{1}{4}+2\frac{3}{4}}{2} = 3$

Contents $10 \times 6\frac{3}{4} \times 3 = 202\frac{1}{2}$ cft.

— Do — No. 58.

Height $\frac{(45.23-41.50)+(44.39-41.50)+(43.93-41.50)}{3} = 3.02$ or 3 nearly

Length = 10

Breadth = $\frac{7+7}{2} = 7$

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Height : $\frac{2\,3/4+3}{2} = 2\frac{7}{8}$.
Contents : $10 \times 7 \times 2\frac{7}{8} = 201$ cft.

Sections No. 59.

Height $\frac{(45.17-41.50)+(44.24-41.50)+(44.00-41.50)}{3} = 2.97$ or 3 nearly
Length = 10
Breadth : 7
Height : 3
Contents : $10 \times 7 \times 3 = 210$ cft.

Beyond this section Viz: 59 there was found sand for a length of 193 feet and rock after this for a length of 33 ft up section no 60.

Section No. 60.

Height $\frac{(45.74-41.50)+(44.12-41.50)+(43.09-41.50)}{3} = 2.82$ or $2\frac{4}{5}$.
Length : 0
Breadth : 6
Height : $2\frac{4}{5}$.

— Do — No. 61.

Height $\frac{(45.79-41.50)+(44.15-41.50)+(43.20-41.50)}{3} = 2.88$ or $2\frac{9}{10}$.
Length = 10
Breadth = 6
Height : $\frac{2\frac{4}{5}+2\frac{9}{10}}{2} = 2\frac{17}{20}$.
Contents : $10 \times 6 \times 2\frac{17}{20} = 171$.

— Do — No. 62.

Height $\frac{(45.81-41.50)+(44.01-41.50)+(42.72-41.50)}{3} = 2.68$ or $2\frac{7}{10}$
Length = 10
Breadth = 6
Height = $\frac{2\frac{9}{10}+2\frac{7}{10}}{2} = 2\frac{4}{5}$
Contents = $10 \times 6 \times 2\frac{4}{5} = 168$ cft.

— Do — No. 63.

Height $\frac{(45.76-41.50)+(44.15-41.50)+(43.02-41.50)}{3} = 2.81$ or $2\frac{4}{5}$.
Length 13
Breadth $\frac{5+6}{2} = 5\frac{1}{2}$
Height = $\frac{2\frac{7}{10}+2\frac{4}{5}}{2} = 2\frac{3}{4}$
Contents = $13 \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4} = 197$ cft.

Beyond this Viz: section No. 63 soft rock for full width of bed removed for a length of 163.

From section 64 rock on left side for a length of 72 ft Viz: up to section 71 Mixture hard and soft, may be taken in equal quantities

Section No. 64.

Height $\frac{(44.59-41.50)+(44.22-41.50)}{2} = 2.91$ or $2\frac{9}{10}$ nearly.
Length = 0
Breadth = 5
Height = $2\frac{9}{10}$

Section No. 65.

Height $\frac{(45.49-41.50)+(44.30-41.50)}{2} = 3.40$ or $3\frac{2}{5}$ nearly
Length = 10
Breadth = $\frac{5+6}{2} = 5\frac{1}{2}$
Height $\frac{2\frac{9}{10}+3\frac{2}{5}}{2} = 3\frac{3}{20}$
Contents $10 \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{20} = 173$ cft.

— Do — No. 66.

Height $\frac{(45.56-41.50)+(44.34-41.50)}{2} = 3.45$ or $3\frac{9}{20}$ nearly.
Length 10
Breadth = $\frac{6+5}{2} = 5\frac{1}{2}$
Height $\frac{3\frac{2}{5}+3\frac{9}{20}}{2} = 3\frac{17}{40}$
Contents $10 \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{17}{40} = 185$ cft

— Do — No. 67.

Height $\frac{(45.56-41.50)+(44.20-41.50)}{2} = 3.38$ or $3\frac{2}{5}$ — do —.
Length 10
Breadth $\frac{5+4}{2} = 4\frac{1}{2}$
Height $\frac{3\frac{9}{20}+3\frac{2}{5}}{2} = 3\frac{17}{40}$
Contents = $10 \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{17}{40} = 154$ cft.

— Do — No. 68.

Height $\frac{(45.45-41.50)+(44.09-41.50)}{2} = 3.27$ or $3\frac{1}{4}$ — do —.
Length 10
Bread $\frac{4+5}{2} = 4\frac{1}{2}$
Height $\frac{3\frac{2}{5}+3\frac{1}{4}}{2} = 3\frac{13}{40}$
Contents $10 \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{13}{40} = 149$ cft.

— Do — No. 69.

Height $\frac{(45.39-41.50)+(44.00-41.50)}{2} = 3.19$ or $3\frac{1}{5}$ — do —.
Length = 10
Breadth = $\frac{5+6}{2} = 5\frac{1}{2}$
Height = $\frac{3\frac{1}{4}+3\frac{1}{5}}{2} = 3\frac{3}{16}$
Contents $10 \times 6 \times 3\frac{3}{16} = 175$ cft.

— Do — No. 70.

Height $\frac{(45.49-41.50)+(44.04-41.50)}{2} = 3.27$ or $3\frac{1}{4}$ — do —.
Length 10
Breadth $\frac{6+6}{2} = 6$
Height $\frac{3\frac{1}{5}+3\frac{1}{4}}{2} = 3\frac{9}{20}$
Contents = $10 \times 6 \times 3\frac{9}{20} = 207$ cft.

Section No. 71.

$$\text{Height} = \frac{(45.59-41.50)+(44.20-41.50)}{2} = 3.40 \text{ or } 3\tfrac{2}{5} \text{ nearly}$$

$$\text{Length} = 12$$

$$\text{Breadth} = \frac{6+5}{2} = 5\tfrac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Height} = \frac{3\frac{1}{4}+3\frac{2}{5}}{2} = 3\tfrac{13}{40}$$

$$\text{Contents} = 12 \times 5\tfrac{1}{2} \times 3\tfrac{13}{40} = 210 \text{ cft}$$

C. Srinivasan
Supervisor
17/11/97

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Section

Length = 0

Berhampore,
26th November 1897.

No. $\frac{164}{26\text{-}11\text{-}97}$

From
Mr. S. Sreteveen,
Supervisor R. Canal,
Lower Section.

To
The Superintending Engineer,
III Circle.

Thro' the Exe: Engineer, Ganjam Division.

Sir,

With reference to Supdg: Engineer's III Circle letter No. 4470 dated 4th November 1897, para 5, I beg to state, that the difference in quantity is just one half more. That is the original quantity as found in measurement sheet prepared by Overseer Sengarachari from sections 42 to 71 is 10283, and that arrived at by me is 5101. The Overseer was instructed, as to how the thing was to be done, and the calculation arrived at. In fact I showed him the working of a few sections, and he said that he perfectly understood it. It is evident that he was very careless, and did not calculate the areas properly, hence this great difference. I would have done the whole thing myself, if I was not busy handing over charge of the Cumbum Sub-Division

See para 8 of my letter
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Section No 71

to Mr Lazarus, as I was required at Madras very much, and ordered to come soon. I had to hand over more than 8000 Famine tools which Mr Lazarus would not accept without counting, in both our presence; and then came the preparation of all the papers, instruments &c which took up all my time and attention. I did what the Overseer should have properly done viz: took all the sections as required by the Executive Engineer at every 10 ft, had them plotted and only left the work of calculation of areas &c to the Overseer. I may here state for a matter of fact, and not boastingly, that I did more in the Cumbum Sub Division that any other subordinate; though such a feverish place, I never a day pleaded sickness, and I had at times to do the Maistries', Overseer's and my own work as well. It was a time like this when I was handing over, and if I really had the time, I would have made the calculations myself, for it was not very much, but only required a little time. I would have not troubled myself even about paying the men, if I did not receive orders from the Exe: Engineer that all works measured & superintended during the time I was in Office, should be settled up and if possible finally paid for.

I beg that you will kindly take my explanation into your kind consideration and deal kindly with me taking into consideration the state I was in when I made the payments for the bill.

I beg to invite your kind attention to my letter No 2 dated 6-4-96 especially para No 3, and letter No ~~174~~ 170 dated 3-10-96.

I beg to remain
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) S. Treetween
Supervisor.

(True Copy)

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Supdg: Engineer's Office, III Circle,
31st January 1898.
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From
J. C. Larminie Esqr. M.I.C.E.
Superintending Engineer, III Circle,
Bellary.

To
The Chief Engineer,
P.W. Department,
Madras.

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Sir,

I have the honour to forward copy of letter No 4606 dated 21st December 1896 from the Executive Engineer, Kurnool Division bringing certain charges against Supervisor Mr S. Trutevein regarding measurements of rock excavated in improvements to the Buduvel Tank supply channel (paras 5 to 9 are irrelevant).

paid 13-7-95

2. Taking the most lenient view of Mr Trutevein's share in the transaction, his mode of carrying on business can only be characterized as slip shod and haphazard to a degree and only confirms the reputation he brought with him to the 1st Circle, of being absolutely unfitted for charge of a Sub Division.

3. The charge against Mr Trutevein is, that he

he overmeasured and paid for rock cutting as under.

Paid for by him 27690 cft @ Rs 4 per 100 cft

While according to the measurements of the stone as stacked, the most liberal allowance can only bring it up to 5648 so the excess payment will be

27690 at Rs 4 per 100 cft = Rs 1107-9-7

5648 at Rs 4 " = 226- - -

Excess Rs 881.

4. In explanation Mr Trutewein states that he promised payments to the Contractor according to sectional areas.

But his ideas as to what constituted rock, must be uncommonly liberal, for as remarked by the Executive Engineer in his para 12, the stack measurements should be greater than as per sectional areas.

5. The sections taken by Mr Trutewein are the roughest possible and cannot be checked or compared with others.

6. Mr Trutewein did not calculate the contents himself, but handed them over to Overseer Singa-rachari and on the amount made out by the latter the bill was paid.

7. In his explanation (No 170 of 3-11-96) Mr Trutewein confidently asserts that from his inspection of the work he was quite satisfied that not alone were his sections correct, but that the Overseer's calculations from them also were so!

8. This statement conflicts considerably with his letter No 164 dated 26th November 1897. Mr Garrett requested the Executive Engineer Ganjam to call upon Mr Trutewein to calculate (in his presence) the amount of cutting between sections 42 to 71 (why Mr Garrett omitted the remaining sections 0 to 41 I cannot say). The result of Mr Trutewein's calculation gave a contents of 5101 cubic feet against as calculated by the Overseer and paid for by Mr Trutewein, of 10283 or more than double the amount shown by the sections!

9. Copy of Mr Trutewein's letter is enclosed. His explanations are considered evasive, shifty and in no way satisfactory, and the whole affair in my opinion throws considerable suspicion on Mr Trutewein's integrity, for even if his statement and his authority for making a promise of payment, as per sectional areas, be admitted, the difference in quantities is too outrageous and should not have escaped even a casual inspection. again — the contractor had already received one payment in the month, why should Mr Trutewein have been in such a hurry to make another? He being on the point of

of transfer which he could not finally settle up for the work?

10. From the papers on the subject I am satisfied that the stack measurements of the stone may be accepted as fairly correct, and this leads to a consideration of Overseer Singaracharry's share in the transaction.

11. This very question is referred to in para 3 of P. W. G. No. 1286D of 3rd September 1897, dealing with other charges against the Overseer. But I cannot find that in the present instance there is much against him. The first measurement of the work was made by him on 10th June 1895. He appears to have taken a rough average measurement for the rock blasting, entered as under in his book.

Blasting rock 1 × 640 × 5 × 2 = 64.00 @ Rs 4 = Rs 256
Rock removed by crowbar 1 × 550 × 10 × 2 = 110.00 @ Rs 1 = Rs 110
Rs 366

Mr Treutwein's measurements on 29 of same month when the Overseer was absent thro' sickness were - - - - - 27.690 @ Rs 4 = Rs 1107-9-7
44.000 @ Rs 1 = Rs 440-0-0
1547-9-7

12. As above - the Overseer's measurements gave 64 units of rock blasted. The succeeding [illegible] measurement by two Sub Divisional Officers of the stacks, gave only 41.9 units. As explained by the Overseer, some of the material had been removed for other works and I think this may be accepted - Mr Johnston accounted for 56.48 units. It was not possible to stack for check the smaller rubbish removed by crow bars.

[illegible] figure I have taken in para 8.

13. Regarding Singaracharry's grave error in making out the calculations of the quantities from Mr Treutwein's sections (referred to in para 8 supra) it is of course impossible now to say whether it was accidental or otherwise. But it may be concluded judging by the sections (which are also forwarded) that it would not be easy for any one to make correct calculations therefrom, so carelessly are they drawn out.

The delay in disposing of this subject is due to 1st the fact that the Executive Engineer's report was not received until the 28th December 1896 or nearly eighteen months after the occurrence. Further references and the Famine have delayed the subject until now Mr Treutwein's last reply and explanation is dated 26th November 1897.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Supdg. Engineer, III Circle.

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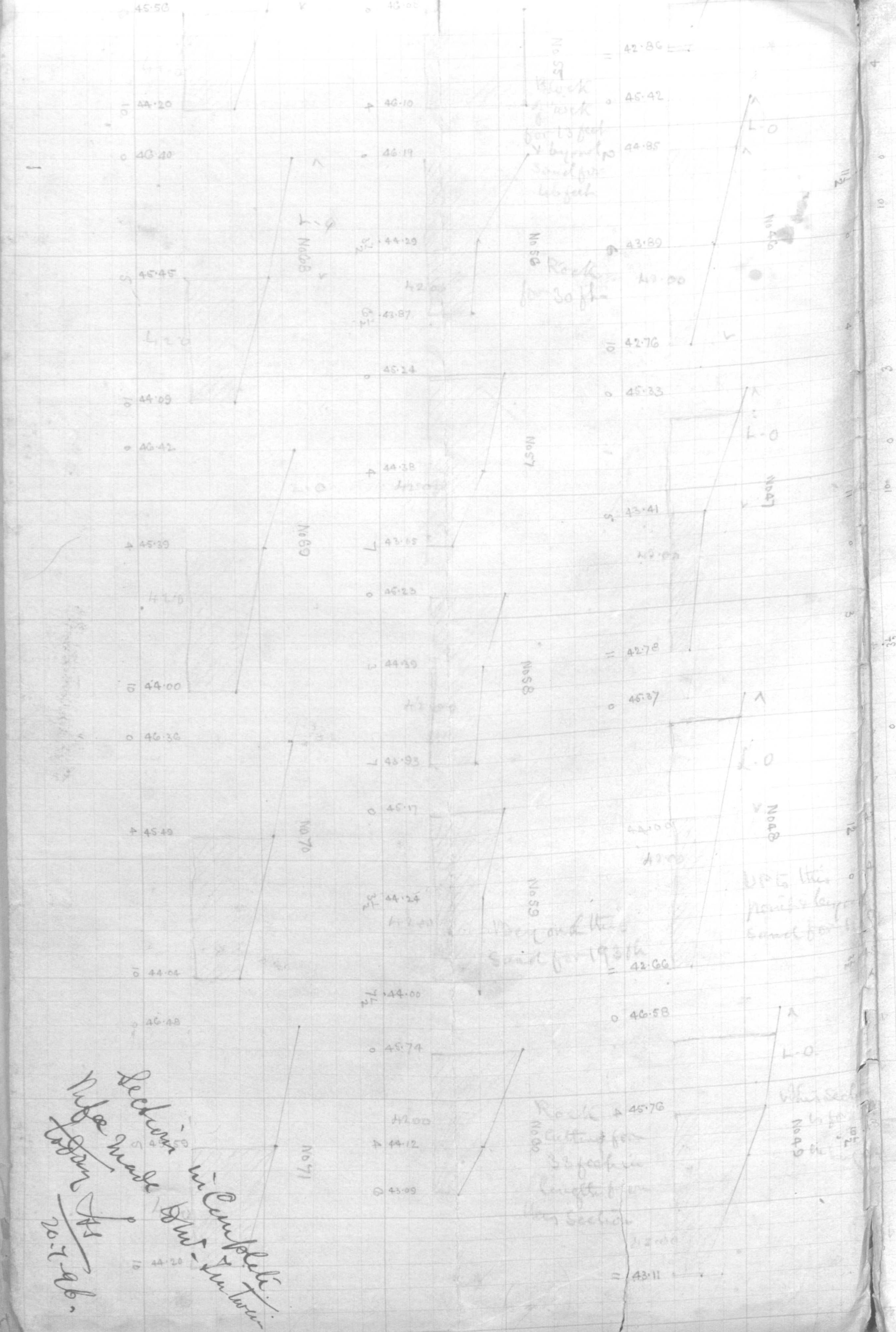

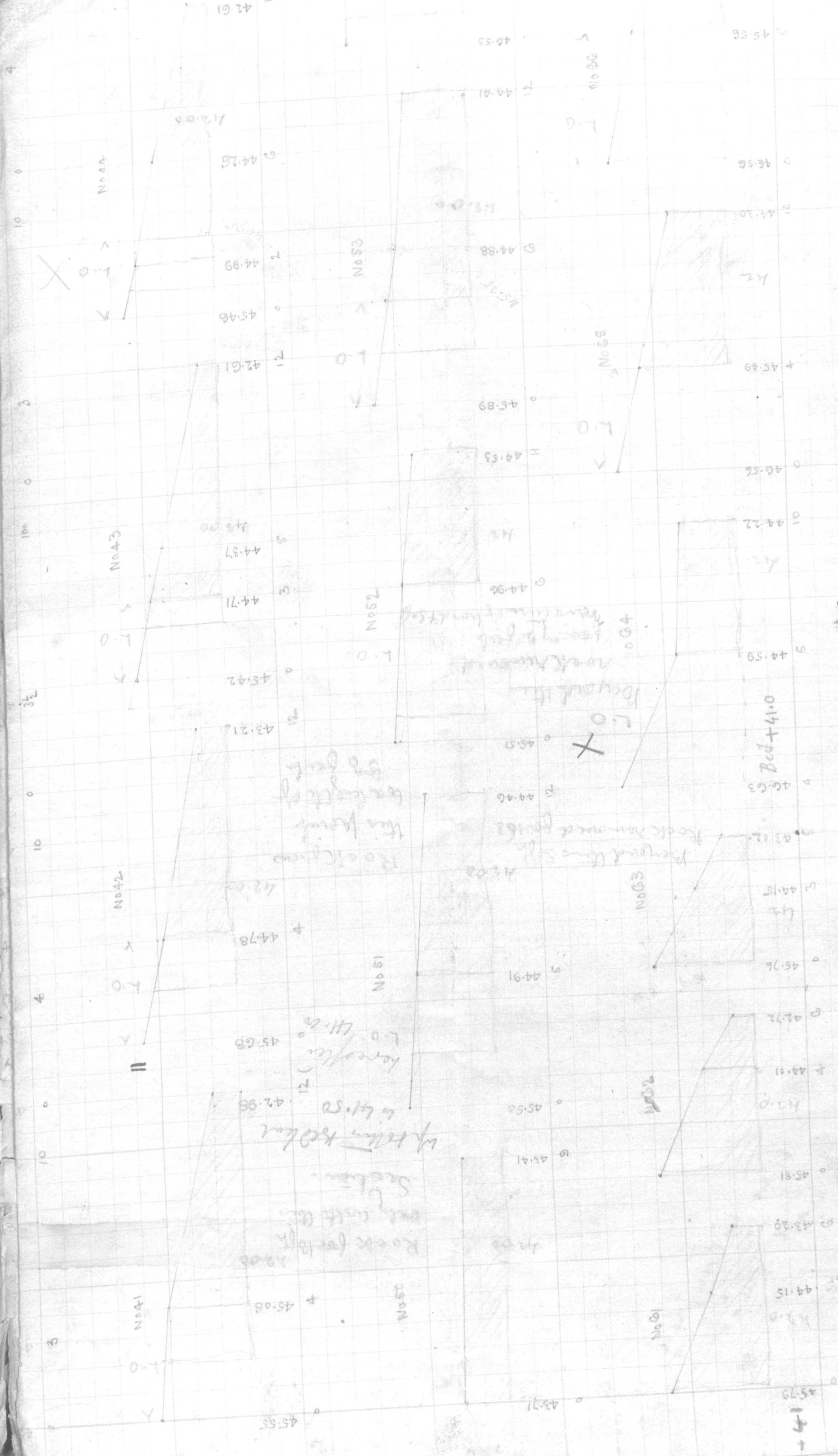

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